

Troopers Arrest Smyrna Man after Pursuit and Crash near Camden



Kyree A. Custis

Presented by Public Information Officer, Master Corporal Gary Fournier

Dover – The Delaware State Police have arrested a Smyrna man

for driving a stolen vehicle.

The incident occurred around 10:07 p.m. Tuesday June 20, 2017 when a trooper on patrol in the area of South DuPont Highway (US13) and South Governors Avenue observed a 2013 Toyota Prius traveling southbound on US13. A computer inquiry into the registration revealed the vehicle had been reported stolen on May 22, 2017 from a residence out of New Castle County. The trooper activated the emergency equipment on the patrol vehicle in order to conduct a traffic stop, when the vehicle accelerated and continued traveling southbound on US13. The vehicle failed to stop at a red light and upon entering into the intersection at US13 and Thomas Harmon Drive (entrance to Camden Walmart) was struck on the passenger's side by a 2016 Infiniti QX70 being operated by a 40-year-old Dover man. **Kyree A. Custis**, 26, was taken into custody without further incident once the vehicle came to a stop in the grassy shoulder south of the intersection.

The 40-year-old Infiniti operator was uninjured in the collision.

Kyree Custis and a 31-year-old male passenger were transported by EMS to Bayhealth Kent General Hospital where they were treated and released with non-life-threatening injuries. Kyree Custis was then taken to Troop 3 in Camden where he was charged with Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Disregarding a Police Officer Signal, Aggressive Driving, Reckless Driving, Driving without a Valid License, and other traffic related offenses. He was arraigned at JP7 and committed to James T. Vaughn Correctional Center on \$1,304.00 secured bond for those charges as well \$25,000.00 cash for a Violation of Probation.

The passenger was not charged with any crimes.

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